

Prep L Weekly News

Week 8, Term 1

Dear Parents,

This is the last week of term and I have been so impressed with the way the children have settled in and the progress they have made. This week the students will be learning the letters z and h and revising previous letters learnt. During maths sessions they will explore the concept of length and consolidate their knowledge of the numbers 1-4. Throughout the week the students will also be completing some fun Easter activities! I hope that everyone has a safe and a relaxing holiday and I look forward to a refreshing start in term two.

Sight Words and Take Home Readers: Over the holidays please ensure that you continue reading with your child and revising their sight words daily. It is really important that you maintain this routine over the holidays. I would also encourage families to visit their local library and borrow books to read to and with their child. Some libraries in the area also run some fantastic events and programs for children to get involved in. Access to Reading Eggs is up and running and many students have been using this program regularly. It provides great activities for revision and reinforcement of the phonics activities that your child has completed at school.

Literacy Groups: We anticipate that we will begin literacy rotations in week three of term two. For those parents who have put their name down to help with groups, look out for more information and confirmation of starting dates in the first prep newsletter of term two. Once again a big thank you to those who have volunteered their time- we all greatly appreciate your support and assistance.

Library: Please ensure that **all library books are returned by Wednesday** so that they can be returned to the library in preparation for the end of term.

Slippers: In term two the weather will start to get cold and wet, so children will need to bring a pair of hard soled, fully enclosed slippers (with backs) to wear during class time. The slippers are to be sensible- not large 'soft toy' type slippers. Because children will be changing their shoes each day, it is essential that children learn how to put on their own shoes. It would be great if you could teach your child to do up their own shoe laces at home. We also ask that you ensure your child's shoes are clearly labelled as many children have the same shoes and it becomes very confusing for the children to find their own. This would help us immensely!!!

Easter Morning Tea: Just a reminder that we are having our Easter morning tea on **Friday at 9:30am** and your child will need to bring a small plate of food to share. Food must be nut free! We would love to see as many parents as possible to stay and celebrate a fantastic first term with us.

Friday: This Friday the students will finish school at 2:30pm. There will be a final assembly at 2:15pm. Term two commences on Monday 12th April.

Have a fantastic holiday,
Kerryn Lynch

